

Gladestry Community Council

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Minutes of the ordinary Gladestry Community Council meeting held at 7.30 pm on Monday 15th July 2024 in Gladestry Village Hall

1. Present: Cllrs Joseph Alman, Ian Ball, Julie Davies (Chair), Ed Jones (Vice Chair), Beck Lloyd, Vivian Lloyd, Melvyn Hughes.

In attendance: Mr David Bridson (Temporary Clerk)

2. Public participation: An opportunity for members of the public to address the council on items listed in the agenda.

None.

3. To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting (197) held on 20th May 2024.

Resolved: Council approved the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting (197) held on 20th May 2024. (Signed and dated by Cllr Julia Davies.)

4. Matters arising from the Ordinary Meeting (197) held on 20th May 2024.

None.

5. Planning.

Application Reference: 24/0787/NMA

Proposal: Non-material amendment to planning permission 23/1256/REM in relation to Plots 1, 3 and 5 on land adjoining Church Barn, Gladestry.

Resolved: To make no objection.

Application Reference: 24/0583/REM

Proposal: Section 73 application for planning permission 23/0709/HH to vary condition 2 in relation to approved plans. (Proposed 2m long extension over kitchen.) Site Address: Glenhaven, Newchurch.

Resolved: To make no objection.

6. Finance.

- Invoice for the former website received from UBE.

Resolved: Invoice not to be paid.

Action: Temporary clerk to write to UBE to request cancellation of the invoice.

- Current bank balance and former clerk's application for a £3,500 precept.

Cllr Ian Ball was able to check the current bank balance and confirmed that the first of three scheduled precept payments had been received on April 27. The current bank balance is £4,232.00. (No purchases since the previous meeting.)

Resolved: To apply to HSBC to add two further councillors' names as signatories to the community council bank account and remove the former clerk as a signatory if she has not already removed herself.

Action: Cllr Ball to deal with HSBC account issues and take instruction from the temporary clerk as and when invoices received need to be paid.

7. Correspondence since last meeting:

- Email from Audit Wales (Deryck Evans Deryck.Evans@audit.wales) requiring documents needed to complete the audit for April 2022 to March 2023

Resolved: To locate the required documents if possible and submit them to Audit Wales by July 19.

Action: The temporary clerk to liaise with Audit Wales and seek advice from former clerk Kenneth Waugh if needed.

- Email from Angharad Morgan, Bannau Brycheiniog National Parks Authority (Angharad.Morgan@beacons-npa.gov.uk) requesting the community council to provide answers to an online questionnaire on a proposed Powys Town and Community Councils Climate Event.

Resolved: No action.

- Letter from Nigel Brinn, Corporate Director of Economy & Environment at Powys County Council concerning annual safety inspection for the playground.

Resolved/Action: Temporary clerk to apply for annual safety inspection.

8. Business matters

- Councillors agreed to a minimum 6-month term for the temporary clerk to allow time to find a more permanent solution. The temporary clerk will work on a freelance basis and submit a monthly invoice of £100.
- Councillors agreed to add website management to the clerk's duties.
- Councillors agreed to dispose of the dead laptop PC and replace it with one of three options proposed by the temporary clerk. The council will also take out a subscription to Microsoft 365 Office software and allow the temporary clerk to export all the emails currently in the Linux-based "Thunderbird" client application to the Outlook 365 client.

9. To Receive items for the next Meeting (at **7.30 pm** Monday 16th September 2024).

None.

The meeting ended at 8.15 pm.